GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4841
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2000
DRUG AUTHORITY DRUG CONTROLLER
BALIRAM;PUNNULAL MOHALE

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to approve a National Drug Authority/Drug Controller of India to decide the approval of Drugs; and

(b) if so, the composition and the criteria of selection, alongwith the term of such authorities?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) There is already a post of Drugs Controller of India who heads the CentralStandards Control Organisation which is responsible for ensuring the quality, safety and efficacy of drugs manufactured and marketed in the country, including approval of new drugs.

(b) The selection to the post of Drugs Controller (India) is made as per the approved Recruitment Rules for the post.